

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) ~~An anti-allergic agent~~ A composition comprising an extract of *P. temminckii* frass as an ingredient and a carrier selected from the group consisting of food, beverage, cream, lotion, soap, oil, dye, humectant, surfactant, and an aqueous carrier.
2. (Currently Amended) ~~A skin cream comprising *P. temminckii* frass as an ingredient~~ composition according to claim 1, wherein the carrier is a skin cream.
3. (Currently Amended) ~~A composition according to claim 1, comprising an effective dermatitis-blocking amount of said agent comprising *P. temminckii* frass as an ingredient~~ extract.
4. (Currently Amended) ~~A composition according to claim 1, wherein said composition is suitable for use as a bath agent comprising *P. temminckii* frass as an ingredient.~~
5. (Currently Amended) ~~A composition according to claim 1, comprising a pollinosis-alleviating amount of said agent comprising *P. temminckii* frass as an ingredient~~ extract .
6. (Withdrawn) ~~A method of treating a skin condition comprising topically applying to the skin of a patient a topical composition comprising an effective amount of *P. temminckii* frass and a topical carrier~~ said composition of claim 1.
7. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 6, wherein the skin condition is caused by an allergy.
8. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 6, wherein said composition is a skin cream.

9. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 7, wherein the allergy is caused by leucotriene secretion or B-hexosaminidase release.

10. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising ingredients of *P. temminckii* frass, excrement of larvae of *P. temminckii* which parasitizes bamboos and an extract of *P. temminckii*, wherein such extract is obtained by water or an organic solvent and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

11. (New) A composition according to claim 1, which is suitable for use as an anti-allergic agent.

12. (New) A purified preparation comprising a granular, light-yellow composition of an extract of *P. temminckii* frass obtained by:

adding water to *P. temminckii* frass to create a slurry; and

drying said slurry at 30-80° C to obtain a granular extract of *P. temminckii*.

13. (New) A purified preparation comprising a brown powder composition of an extract of *P. temminckii* obtained by:

- (a) contacting *P. temminckii* with an excess of water, wherein heat is applied under reflux conditions;
- (b) repeating the reflux treatment at least two times; and
- (c) concentrating the liquid obtained from the above steps under pressure to obtain a brown powder concentrate of *P. temminckii* frass.

14. (New) A purified preparation comprising a brown powder composition of an extract of *P. temminckii* frass obtained by:

- (a) contacting *P. temminckii* frass with an organic solvent, wherein heat is applied under reflux conditions;
- (b) repeating the reflux treatment at least two times;
- (c) concentrating the liquid obtained from the above steps under pressure to obtain a brown powder concentrate of *P. temminckii* frass.

15. (New) A purified pharmaceutical preparation according to claim 13 or 14, wherein the reflux treatment is repeated three times.

16. (New) A purified pharmaceutical preparation according to claim 14, wherein the organic solvent is selected from the group consisting of ethanol, methanol, isopropanol, glycerin, ethylene glycol, propylene glycol, 1,3-butylene glycol, acetone, methylethyl ketone, ethyl acetate, isopropyl acetate, ethyl ether, isopropyl ether, petroleum ether, n-hexane and n-pentane.

17. (New) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the *P. temminckii* frass extract is present in an amount of 0.001-20% by weight of the final product.

18. (New) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition is suitable to be administered externally, orally or intravenously.